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## **Grade 12 Graduates Eligible for \$16,000 through RE/MAX Quest for Excellence Bursary Program**

**Kelowna, B.C. (September 12, 2011)** – RE/MAX of Western Canada is renewing the organization’s commitment to our future community leaders by offering \$16,000 in bursary funds and one recipient; in addition to their bursary, will receive a hot air balloon ride for two in its annual Quest for Excellence Program.

The Quest for Excellence Program recognizes the pursuits in leadership and community contributions of Western Canadian students. High school students graduating in 2012 from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, North West and Yukon Territories are encouraged to write an essay to convey the contributions they have made to enrich the lives of others and their communities, through leadership, motivation, volunteering and participation in charitable events or fundraising.

“We are amazed at charitable contributions these young adults are making within their communities,” says Marie Sheppy, Senior Coordinator, Corporate Affairs, RE/MAX of Western Canada. “These outstanding students recognize that building a great community and future starts with caring and supporting local programs and organizations that make a profound difference in everyday lives.”

Sixteen winners will be selected from entries received on-line at [www.remax-western.ca](http://www.remax-western.ca) Each winner will receive a \$1,000.00 RE/MAX Quest for Excellence bursary. All 16 bursary recipients will be placed in a draw and lucky student will receive a hot air balloon ride for two from closest major city. The application deadline is March 04, 2012. Award recipients will be notified in May 9, 2012, with a formal presentation at the students’ commencement ceremonies.

“It is an honour and a privilege to recognize our outstanding young adults in Western Canada for their achievements and contributions,” says Elton Ash, Regional Executive Vice President, RE/MAX of Western Canada.

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